Kelleria laxa

SYNONYMS
Drapetes dieffenbachii var. laxa Cheeseman, Drapetes laxus (Cheeseman) Allan

FAMILY
Thymelaeaceae

AUTHORITY
Kelleria laxa (Cheeseman) Heads

FLORA CATEGORY
Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON
Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS
No

ENDEMIC FAMILY
No

STRUCTURAL CLASS
Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

NVS CODE
KELLAX

CHROMOSOME NUMBER
2n = 18

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS
2012 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES
2009 | Not Threatened
2004 | Not Threatened

DISTRIBUTION
Endemic. New Zealand, North and South Islands

FLOWER COLOURS
White

ETYMOLOGY
laxa: Slack, loose

Taxonomic Notes
Kelleria laxa had been treated as indigenous by Heads (1990) because he regarded plants found in Victoria, Australia as conspecific. Marks & Walsh (2014) revisited the status of the Australian K. laxa plants and showed that they comprised another species endemic to Victoria which they named K. bogongensis Marks.

REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

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